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55-HOUR CLOSURE ON SOUTHBOUND INTERSTATE 710 THIS WEEKEND; ONLY ONE LANE OPEN AND CONNECTORS FROM INTERSTATE 10 CLOSED

MONTEREY PARK – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) today announced that the southbound Long Beach Freeway (Interstate 710) will only have one lane open this weekend between Interstate 10 and State Route 60 as crews place pre-cast pavement slabs. Additionally, the connectors from east and westbound I-10 to southbound I-710 will be closed.

This weekend's freeway and connectors closure begins Friday, March 18 at 10 p.m. until Monday, March 21 at 5 a.m.

To reach southbound I-710 from I-10, motorists will exit at Eastern Avenue. Eastbound motorists will be detoured along Eastern and Cesar Chavez avenues and westbound motorists will be detoured along University Drive/Eastern Avenue and Cesar Chavez Avenue.

To decrease delays, motorists are advised to use alternate routes around the project area if possible and to follow signs if they use the detours. Work is weather permitting.

As part of a \$120 million pavement replacement project on the Long Beach Freeway (Interstate 710) from the Century Freeway (Interstate 105) to the San Bernardino Freeway (Interstate 10), this project is installing precast concrete panels as well as concrete slabs in various traffic lanes and locations, upgrading the median barrier and constructing maintenance pullouts along the route to enhance safety for maintenance crews.

Shimmick/Myers and Sons, JV Construction on the project, which began in August 2012 and is expected to be completed in 2016.

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